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Colonel Timothy P. Alben
Superintendent
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of State Police
470 Worcester Road
Framingham, MA 01702

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FACSIMILE

RE: State Drug Laboratory Investigation

Dear Colonel Alben:

It has been brought to our attention that the Department of State Police, along with the Office of the Attorney General, is expanding its investigation of the above-captioned matter. We have been notified of the intent to interview Bargaining Unit 9 members at the Department's Amherst facility.

As of September 7, 2012, all MOSES represented employees who worked at the Jamaica Plain facility have been placed on administrative leave, and the facility now designated as a crime scene. Consequently, it is reasonable to assume that the investigation may have possible criminal implications for MOSES members not previously in question. In accordance with MGL Chapter 233 § 20C et seq., MOSES hereby demands that the Department of State Police obtain full statewide transactional immunity, from all appropriate authorities, for all MOSES members to be interviewed should they be compelled to answer questions under the threat of discipline. Alternatively, please provide written assurance that any assertion of their rights will not result in discipline of any kind.

MOSES and its members intend to fully cooperate with the investigation subject to their rights against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article 12 of the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at (617) 367-2727 ext. 314. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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